
DEAN IN THE BLOODY THUNDER.

(Over Telegram.)

A number of conflicting reports received concerning the tragedy, it is thought to settle the case. Texas Chasity story of the fight, which was:

and Dean left Mrs. Young's farm town, and when about a foot from the house were passing and took; Webster walked behind Dean and day - jumped from behind him and shot Webster in the hip, the ball passing by. Webster cried in pain. The leader of the party, Doc and Dean, and the little they sprang on Dean, and Dean, who was bounding up with his gun. Day drew a shot at him, hitting the eye. The pistol flashed as Dean fired. As soon as Day ran and took toward him, and some masked men, and shot at him, and hit him. A shot from Day and the ball passed over his head and he fell. Webster was wounded, and at 7:30 the same day his leg was broken. Webster's wounds were taken to Webster's farm, from where he was taken to the hospital. He died there. He was buried at Grand Lakeville in the cemetery. He was killed by the attacking force. He was killed by the attacking force.

BRIEFS.

Flour mills are running at Minnesota House, in Blarrock, Dak. N. M., pays \$6 public school month. MINNIE is the name of a new town in Dakota Territory. It elect Judges in six of eight districts this fall.

THE AVALANCHE.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

For the best 50c tea in town call on Wm. A. Masters.

A car-load of fine horses passed through the city north Tuesday morning.

Robinson, of the meat market, has had his counter painted. It looks nobby.

Mr. Robert Larson, landlord of the Manistee Hotel, was married last Saturday evening.

Rev. S. Edgcombe delivered an excellent address on Temperance last Sabbath evening.

A large number of Graylingites went to Portage lake Sunday. A pleasant time is reported.

Have you read the new drug store sign on Finn's? It was put on by a traveling painter.

A. A. Griffin, of Roscommon, made the AVALANCHE office a pleasant call one day last week.

Huckleberries coming in in large quantities. They sell from the stores at 9 and 10c per quart.

County clerk Bell moved into his new residence, nearly opposite the school house, last Monday.

Cody & Co., Lake View, say: We are selling Brown's Iron Bitters, and it gives the best of satisfaction.

Jacob Speckert, Esq., of South Branch, was so unfortunate as to lose one of his best horses last week.

Mrs. Jos. Edgcombe departed Sunday night for a short visit to her previous home, Deerfield, this State.

Mr. N. Mickelson was called to Manistee, Monday, by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his brother.

W. O. Brown, Lindington, says: "I recommend Brown's Iron Bitters as a true tonic. I have used it with satisfaction."

The new steamer is puffing regularly around Portage Lake, and the logs are flying over the railroad from the lake to the Manistee.

J. M. Finn has taken the contract for building the sidewalks and fence about the school house, which are to be completed by Sept. 1.

It is evident from the work being done on our streets that J. O. Hadley is the "right man in the right place."

Let the good work go on.

Gaylord rejoiceth at the opening of an exchange bank by Messrs. Cooper & Crane. It is a desideratum wished for by live business men in every town.

A lot of nice little frames, just the size for the photographic views lately taken of prominent buildings, etc., in this city, just received by C. E. Strunk at the AVALANCHE office. Call in and see them.

Mr. Wm. Keough, of Jonesville, is in the city, the guest of O. Palmer and J. W. Jordan. Mr. Keough was here two years ago, and fully appreciates the growth and apparent prosperity of our city.

Messrs. Wheeler, Kellogg and Dennis engaged the services of Frank Hadley, and his team last Saturday and went out into the country for a "fish and hunt." They returned the following evening, but wouldn't "interview" worth a cent," as to their success.

Dr. P. Schickmann has located in our city for the practice of his profession. He has rented the R. S. Babbitt property—three doors north of the Grayling House—where all in need of his services are invited to call on him. Calls promptly responded to night or day.

Mr. Joseph Sewell wishes to announce to the people of Port Cheney and surrounding country that he has in stock a general assortment of Dry Goods, Clothing, Groceries, etc., which he is disposing of at the lowest prices for cash. Give him a call and be convinced.

We were shown a stool of rye, grown on Dr. Warner's plains farm near Tobinabe that stood 7 ft. 2 in. high, and yet some folks think those plains lands are almost worthless; but we know to the contrary, and that as fine crops are being successfully raised on those kind of plains as can be grown in the State.

—Otsego Herald.

One of our citizens started out to look for a beaver meadow a few days since and took along his Winchester for protection. While traversing a swamp he came into a sort of trail and upon examination decided that the tracks therein were made by bears.

The more he thought of those animals the less desire he had to see his boy, and in a few moments decided that it were better to sell the stock than to cut the hay, and therefore hurried home to dinner. Upon learning afterward that the tracks were made by a lot of barefoot tramps after whortleberries, he again changed his mind and now the grass is safely stacked in spite of the shadowy beaver.

GRAYLING.

I have just returned from Grayling, the county seat of Crawford county, where I have been for a time.

Grayling is growing very rapidly, and bids fair to become quite a town at no distant day. The new school house is now about completed. It is 50x31 feet in size, two stories high, with halls on each side and classrooms at the end of the building, the halls being 10x23 feet, and the class rooms 14x22 feet in size and running up the same height as the main building, which is about 35 feet from the ground to the eaves. The workmanship and material is all first-class in every respect. There are three chimneys and the building is heated by a furnace in the cellar underneath. The price for the building complete is \$4,600.

Other improvements are being made. A new M. E. church is partly completed, and will cost when completed about \$1,000.

Grayling, being the division of the railroad between Bay City and the Straits, promises to become quite a town in the near future. Many small buildings are going up, such as private residences, stores, etc.—Cor. Detroit Post and Tribune.

LAST GRAND EXCURSION TO THE MOUNTAINS AND SEA SHORE.

The last of the series of grand excursions to Portland and the Sea, via Michigan Central R. R., will leave Detroit July 24, at 11:30 p. m., consisting of a special train of Wagner Sleeping Cars and Elegant Day Coaches, which will be run to Clayton without change, giving all an opportunity of visiting Niagara Falls, connecting with the new American Line of Steamers for Montreal, passing through the Thousand Islands by daylight. From Montreal to Portland tourists have the choice of three different routes going and returning, without additional expense, passing on either side of the mountains, making it the grandest opportunity ever offered to the public. Rates, \$22, Detroit to Portland and return. Greatly reduced rates from all points in Michigan to Detroit. For program giving full information, call on all agents Michigan Central R. R. and connecting lines, or address:

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THE PLAINS' FARM OF MR. YORK.

They have 18 acres of as fine rye as can be found in the States, east or west, nine acres of which was planted on new ground, first plowing, that averages over five feet in height, and will yield fully 25 bushels to the acre. Ten acres of beans on the same tract, with the same conditions of soil, are very promising, and are estimated to yield 20 bushels to the acre, which will bring about \$600—being \$60 an acre—and we venture the assertion that no other place can show a better return.

Last season, when plowing a 3-acre field for the first time to seed with clover, a gentleman from this village was visiting them and told them it was utterly folly, as they never would realize crop enough to pay for the seed they were planting. On Wednesday the same tract was carefully examined, and it will "cut fully two tons to the acre of as fine clover lay as a man can possibly wish. Their winter wheat—10 acres—is nearly ready to be harvested, and will yield fully 30 bushels to the acre. Another field of clover, about eight acres, stands 20 inches high, and is estimated to yield 3 tons of hay to the acre. Eight acres of corn stands knee high, of fine healthy color, is very thrifty, and bids fair to give a large yield. Potatoes, five acres, are also very fine.

They will this year put in 40 acres of rye, and next season will have their entire 120 acres under cultivation.

It has not been without many misgivings that these gentlemen have given their labor and money to the development of this farm in so superior a manner, in the face of the many discouraging statements of settlers who had been here for years, and from business men in this village. But they have long since learned that the croakers are only such as would never be able to raise a good crop on the much-vaunted best farms in the world. Why business men, who must so largely depend in the future on a good farming community for support, should decry the lands of this section, is more than the writer can tell. That it will eventually result to their detriment there can be no question. Let them pay a visit to the York farm and see what labor and skill has done, and we are firm in the faith that they will never again say aught against pine plains lands.

These lands do not suffer from severe droughts as clay lands do, for in the driest season an inch below the surface moisture can always be found, and the land never bakes, as clay does. In wet weather it never drowns out as does clay, and plowing can be done at all times in the year when there is no snow on the ground.

With these many advantages, we say, this section promises to be the garden spot of the west, and the many farmers in the central and southern portion of the State who are burdened with heavy mortgages on their land, purchased at \$100 per acre, will find it to their advantage to sell their dear lands and come where they can raise better crops on land that will only cost them from \$2.50 to \$5 per acre.—Roscommon Pioneer.

IN CONNECTION WITH HIS FURNITURE BUSINESS.

R. H. Traver of this place has taken the agency for tomb-stones and monuments from some of the largest and most reliable marble dealers in the country. He is also agent for the Detroit White Marble Monument Co. These goods are equally neat and attractive in style and far more durable than marble, and only costs about half the price. Samples can be seen at his Furniture rooms. All who are in need of any of this class of goods should call and see sample and get prices.

NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

The undersigned committee will receive sealed proposals for the building of a school house in district No. 3, in township of Beaver Creek, Crawford Co., Mich., up to Saturday, July 28th, 1883. Bids to be left at the residence of T. E. Hastings, Wellington P. O. Specifications may be seen at the post office in Grayling, Cheney, and Wellington. The committee reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

J. P. HANNA, T. E. HASTINGS, F. E. CRIGO, Committee.

BEAVER CREEK, July 10, 1883.

HARD LUCK.

Major C. was speaking of the way in which adverse luck will sometimes pursue a man, and remarked that he was once in a party when the proposition was made to throw dice for drinks and cigars. He threw several times, and every time the dice came out "ace, deuce." He was vexed, and threw them with all his might against the wall of the room. When he went to pick them up from the floor he was confronted with the same one and two spots. He went to the window and pitched them as far as he could into the yard. The next day he felt like trying his luck again, and not having another pair of dice, he went out into the yard to hunt them up. Stooping down and peering closely into the grass, his eyes finally rested upon an "ace." He was so mad that he made a mental resolution that if the other dice was found with the deuce up he would swallow them. He found it as he said, and it was the deuce. He swallowed them both forthwith. Five minutes later, he became dreadfully sick, and at what might be the consequences of his rash act, and took a strong emetic. The dice were soon deposited on the grass again. "And as sure as you are alive," said the major, "there lay the same old ace and deuce."

Modern commerce is rapidly breaking down, bridging over, or tunneling under every natural barrier between communities and nations or oceans. The Indian ocean and the Atlantic are connected by cutting off Africa from Asia; continental Europe is made one by the tunnels under the Alps, engineering skill will soon have dug, under or bridged over the English Channel; France has connected the Bay of Biscay and the Mediterranean; Paris, Berlin and Manchester are to be made sea ports by ship canals; the great lakes of our own country are to be made accessible to ocean marine by bigger canals; the Rio Grande is bridged to connect the railroad systems of Mexico and the United States; so far as traveling facilities are concerned, the United States and Canada are one country; long before the railroads of Mexico penetrate the Isthmus, the Isthmus will have been severed by the skill and enterprise of Frenchmen, and ships will be freely passing from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific; French engineers, with the approval of the Spanish government, are preparing to dig a tunnel under the Straits of Gibraltar and run trains from Madrid to Tangiers. While the enterprise and enlightened energy of mankind is thus performing miracles in every clime to unite all nations in one bond of international interest and profit, leveling mountains, filling up valleys, and making the civilized world one people, a lingering superstition of a barbarous age raises in the place of these annihilated natural barriers an artificial barrier greater than them all. It is called Free Trade. Destroy all the bridges over the Niagara river, burn the great ferries across the Detroit river, fill up the Erie and Welland canals, blow up the bridges on the Mississippi and Missouri, and the natural impediments to commerce thus restored would not approach in magnitude the barrier raised by the free traders.—Ex.

The hay crop in St. Joe county is reported seriously injured by the frequent rains.

At Rattle Creek the other day considerable excitement was created by a pugilistic encounter between two women in the post-office. Nobody killed.

It is said that John Neske, of Houghton Lake, has been jailed at Roscommon on a charge of outraging his daughter.

Representative Pongree has a picture of the Michigan legislature on exhibition at Big Axe, and the awestricken citizens blockade the streets in their frantic rush to see it.—Ex.

The harvest approaches and the laborers are few. The farmers are offering good wages, but wild horses cannot drag the unemployed in the cities and villages out to the harvest fields.—Ex.

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I also have another stationery package called the "Household Package," which contains 12 sheets tinted note paper, 12 envelopes to match, 2 papers best large and English needles, 1 paper of the best quality of pins, 1 hank of superior black thread, 1 package of steel hair pins, and 1 dozen white agate buttons, all for 25 cents. These packages are also open to inspection. These same goods at a store cost 54 cents.

Needle Packages, containing 120 large-eyed English needles. The assortment is as follows: 4 papers, 25 in each; 3 long cotton darning, 2 short cotton darning, 2 extra fine cotton darning, 2 wool darning, 2 yarn darning, 2 steel bodkins, 3 button needles, 2 carpet needles, 1 worsted needle and 1 motto needle. Total retail value, 52 cents; I sell them for 25 cents and give free a beautiful prize. These goods are warranted to give satisfaction.

They have the advantage of large eyes, being easy to thread; are made of silver steel, which will not bend; and have drilled and burnished eyes, therefore will not cut the thread.

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